GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture – Notification of Biostimulants under Clause 20 (C), Schedule VI of Fertiliser (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Order 1985 by the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Government of India – Repeal of G.O.RT.No.309, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.V) Department, dated:28.04.2014 and G.O.MS.No.18, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.III) Department, dated:10.03.2017 issued by Government of Andhra Pradesh - Orders –Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (AGRI.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 52 Dated: 06-10-2025

Read the following:

1) G.O.RT.No.309, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.V) Department, Dated: 28.04.2014
2) G.O.MS.No.18, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.III) Department, Dated: 10.03.2017.
3) S.O. No. 882(E), of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, Dated 23.02.2021
4) From the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, e-file No. AGC02-13021(37)/2/2025-FERSEC-AGRHOD(2989438), Dated. 29/09/2025

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O R D E R:

In the absence of any specific regulatory framework to govern the manufacture, sale, and distribution of bio-products under the Insecticides Act, 1968 and the Fertilizer (Control) Order, 1985, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, in the larger interest of the farming community, issued guidelines and regulatory measures through G.Os 1st and 2nd read above, with the objective of streamlining and regularizing the production and sale of bio-products during that period. These initiatives were intended to protect farmers from the misuse and proliferation of unverified and potentially spurious products in the name of bio products.

2. Subsequently, the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, vide Statutory Order No. 882 (E), Dated: 23.02.2021, has brought Biostimulants under the ambit of Clause 20 (C) of Fertilizer (Inorganic, Organic or Mixed) (Control) Order 1985 and notified Specifications, Tolerance limits, Procedure for drawl of samples and Methodology of testing of Bio stimulants under Schedule–VI and continues to issue such notifications from time to time.

3. Consequent on enforcing the regulation of the bio stimulants and inclusion of the products in Schedule VI of Fertilizer (Control) Order, 1985 by the Central Government, the State-level guidelines issued vide G.Os 1st and

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2nd read above, have become redundant and inconsistent with the Central framework and may lead to regulatory overlap and legal complications.

4. Government, after careful examination of the entire issue with reference to the circumstances reported by the Director of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur vide e - File 4th read above, hereby repeal G.O.Rt.No.309, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.V) Department, dated 28.04.2014, and G.O.Ms.No.18, Agriculture & Cooperation (Agri.III) Department, dated 10.03.2017 with immediate effect.

5. The Director of Agriculture, AP., Guntur, shall take necessary further action accordingly in the matter

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
EX-OFFICIO SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Director of Horticulture, AP., Guntur.
The Registrar, ANGRAU, Lam, Guntur.
The OSD to Minister (Agri & Coop)
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